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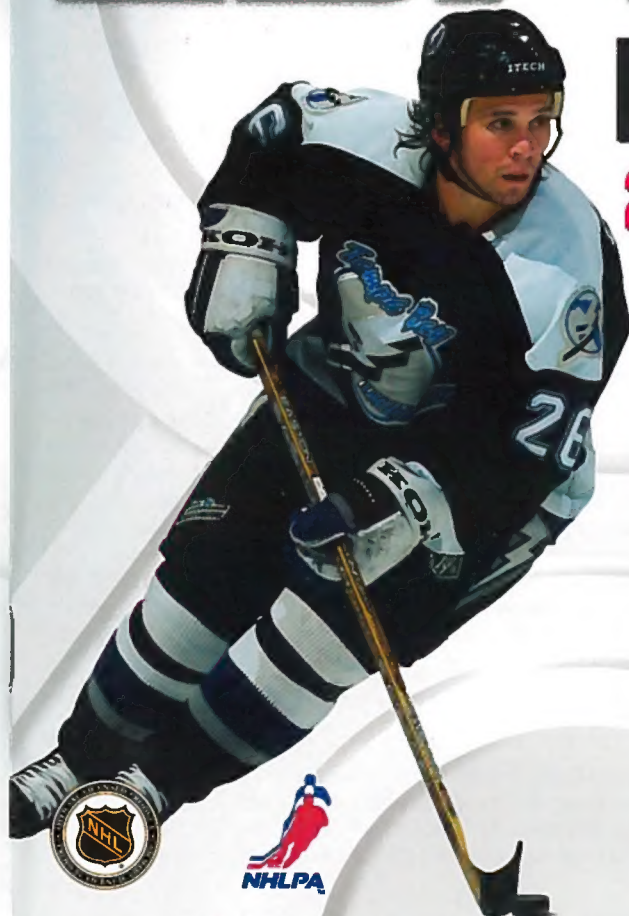
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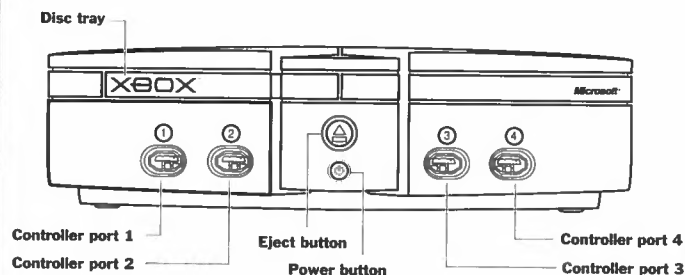
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USING THE XBOX VIDEO GAME SYSTEM

1. Set up your Xbox® video game system by following the instructions in the Xbox Instruction Manual.
2. Press the power button and the status indicator light will light up.
3. Press the eject button and the disc tray will open.
4. Place the ESPN NHL 2K5 disc on the disc tray with the label facing up and close the disc tray.
5. Follow on-screen instructions and refer to this manual for more information about playing ESPN NHL 2K5.



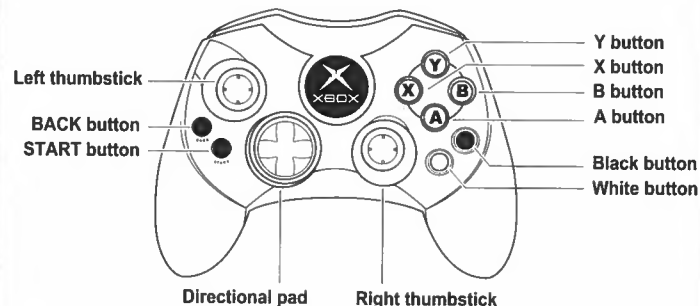
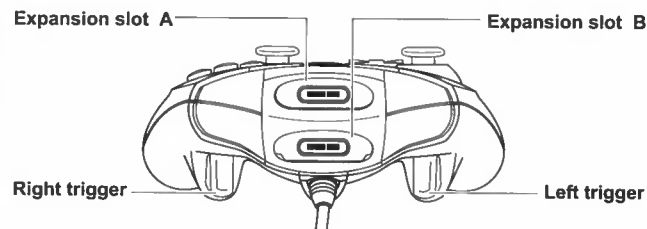
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To avoid damage to discs or the disc drive

- Insert only Xbox-compatible discs into the disc drive.
- Never use oddly shaped discs, such as star-shaped or heart-shaped discs.
- Do not leave a disc in the Xbox console for extended periods when not in use.
- Do not move the Xbox console while the power is on and a disc is inserted.
- Do not apply labels, stickers, or other foreign objects to discs.

USING THE XBOX CONTROLLER

1. Connect the Xbox Controller to any controller port on the front of the Xbox console. For multiple players, connect additional controllers to available controller ports.
2. Insert any expansion devices (for example, Xbox Memory Units) into controller expansion slots as appropriate.
3. Follow on-screen instructions and refer to this manual for more information about using the Xbox Controller to play ESPN NHL 2K5.



THE BEST GETS BETTER

Poised to defend its title as the #1 rated hockey video game, ESPN NHL 2K5 returns to the ice with the confidence of a seasoned veteran. Improved player control, lighting fast game play and an all-new fighting engine truly capture the feel and pace of NHL-caliber hockey. Online leagues, multi-player mini-games and a deeper franchise mode, add endless replay value to an already robust lineup of features. With an exclusive ESPN presentation system -- including on-ice play-by-play from Gary Thorne and Bill Clement -- ESPN NHL 2K5 makes skating with the NHL's elite a reality!

New key features:

- **Deepest Franchise Mode Ever** – Worldwide scouting, enhanced minor league management and full coaching staff control delivers the ultimate franchise experience. The breakthrough Live Scouting System™ lets you watch prospective talent in action and run practice drills to learn more about their attributes.
- **Party Mode** – An all-new Party Mode features dozens of multi-player mini-games and challenges, to let your friends know who is the real “King of the Rink”.
- **Intense Contact Controls™** – A completely re-designed fighting engine offers Full-Movement Fighting – including grappling, dodging, grabbing, and multiple punch moves -- while improved checks and new contact moves help keep your opponent at bay.
- **Always Online** – ESPN Videogames once again sets the standard for the online NHL experience. NHL 2K5 now includes online leagues and tournaments, a real time sports ticker that shows updates of other games in progress, and an advanced messaging system coupled with a buddy list that lets you keep in touch with your opponents at any time.

- **The NHL's Elite** – The Dream Team Challenge pits you against a ladder of all-star teams hand-selected by the some of hockey's most colorful personalities.
- **Expanded Skybox** – Deeper and more interactive than before, this season's Skybox features more than 150 unlockables; including more retro jerseys, remote outdoor locations and much more.

CONTROL SUMMARY

CLASSIC CONTROLS

OFFENSE

Faceoff (Classic, Intermediate, and Advanced)

Left thumbstick Aim pass

A Draw puck / Pass

B Control skater facing-off

X Switch user-controlled skater

START Pause game

OFFENSE – With Puck

Left thumbstick Move skater

Right thumbstick Total Control Deks (see below)

Directional pad UP: Switch forward lines, DOWN: Switch defensive lines, LEFT or RIGHT: Change strategies

+ Right trigger LEFT: Decrease aggression level, RIGHT: Increase aggression level

(NOTE: Home/Away Lineup Changes must be set to Manual.)

Left trigger Protect puck

Right trigger Speed burst

A Pass (Press and hold for a flip pass)

B Speed burst

X Snap shot (Press and hold for a slap shot)

Y Slap Dump

+ Right trigger Deke (depending on situation)

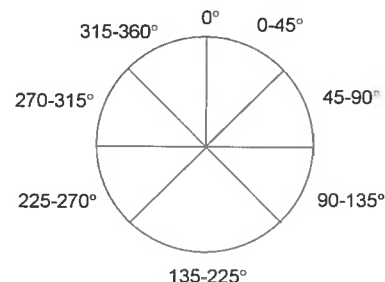
White Button Pass and Go

Black Button Sidestep

START Pause game

Coach's Tip – Total Control Deks

You can perform a variety of special moves with the Right thumbstick. The chart below shows the move performed by moving the Right thumbstick in a given direction.



0-90° = Deke right

90-135° = Side-step right

135-225° = Full stop

225-270° = Side-step left

270-359° = Deke left

Coach's Tip – Be Patient

Unless you're on a breakaway, allow your team time to regroup before entering the attacking zone. The more men you have inside your opponent's blue line, the better your chances at controlling the puck and setting up a quality shot. Try cycling the puck back and forth between your forwards and defensemen. This will create more opportunities to exploit any openings that may appear in the defense. Don't be afraid to bring the puck behind the net and switch it over to the other side of the zone. If you see a forward open in the slot or a defenseman ready to blast a slapshot from the point, get them the puck and let it rip. Patience and persistence will ultimately bring you the most success when on the attack.

OFFENSE - Without puck

Left thumbstick Move skater
Right thumbstick Intense Contact Controls
Directional pad Change lines / strategies
+ Right trigger Change aggression
Left trigger Grab puck from the air
Right trigger Speed burst
A Change skaters (Hold to select goalie)
B Check/Push (Hold for a speed burst)
X One-Timer / Hook
Y Deflection
Black Button Sidestep
White Button Call for Pass

Board Pinned (Classic, Intermediate, and Advanced)

Left thumbstick Move skater
A Change skaters
B Elbow
X Kick puck

Penalty Shot

Left thumbstick Move Skater
Left trigger Sidestep
Right trigger Speed burst
B Speed burst
X Snap shot (Press and hold for a slap shot)
Y Hold to Deke / Release to shoot

DEFENSE

Left thumbstick Move skater
+ Left trigger Skate backwards
+ Right thumbstick Total Stick Control
Right thumbstick Intense Contact Controls
Directional pad UP: Switch forward lines, DOWN: Switch defensive lines, LEFT or RIGHT: Change strategies
+ Right trigger LEFT: Decrease aggression level, RIGHT: Increase aggression level

(NOTE: Home/Away Lineup Changes must be set to Manual.)

Left trigger Grab puck from the air
Right trigger Speed burst
A Change skaters (Hold to select goalie)
B Check/Push/Speed burst
X Poke check / Hook (depending on the situation)
Y Block / Dive (depending on situation)
Black Button Sidestep
White Button Sidestep
START Pause game

Goalie - Without Puck (Classic and Intermediate)

Left thumbstick Move goalie
Directional pad Change lines / strategies
+ Right trigger Change aggression
Left trigger Best stance
Right trigger Position goalie
A Change skaters
B Press and hold for check
X Poke check / Dive
Y Save / Best stance

Goalie - With Puck (Classic, Intermediate, and Advanced)

Left thumbstick Move goalie
A Pass
X Clear
Y Cover

Goalie - Holding Puck (Classic, Intermediate, and Advanced)

Left thumbstick Move goalie
A Drop puck
B Drop puck
X Drop clear
Y Cover

Board Pin (Classic, Intermediate, and Advanced)

Left thumbstick Move skater
A Change skaters
B Check
X Push
Y Cancel pin

Fighting (Classic, Intermediate, and Advanced)

A Duck / Avoid
B Shake off
X Punch
Y Uppercut
Right trigger Grab Right
Left trigger Grab Left
White Button Taunt
Black Button Fake Punch

(NOTE: Fighting can also be controlled using the **Right thumbstick**.)

INTERMEDIATE CONTROLS

OFFENSE

Faceoff (see Classic Controls)

OFFENSE - With Puck

Left thumbstick Move skater

Right thumbstick Total Control Dekes (see description in Classic Controls)

+ **Left trigger** Flip Puck Deke (for skilled puckhandlers only)

Directional pad UP: Switch forward lines, DOWN: Switch defensive lines, LEFT or RIGHT: Change strategies

+ **Right trigger** LEFT: Decrease aggression level, RIGHT: Increase aggression level

(NOTE: Home/Away Lineup Changes must be set to Manual.)

Right trigger Speed burst

A Pass

B Protect puck

X Wrist Shot (Press and hold for a slap shot)

Y Dump (Pressure sensitive – the longer you hold the **Y** button, the higher and farther your dump will go)

+ **Right trigger** Hold **Y** to Deke / Release to shoot

START Pause game

White Button Pass and Go

Offense - Without Puck

Left thumbstick Move skater

Right thumbstick Intense Contact Controls

Directional pad Change lines / strategies

+ **Right trigger** Change aggression

Right trigger Speed burst

A Change skaters

+ **Left trigger** Change to last man back

B Check

+ **Left trigger** Hook

X One-timer / Deflection

Y Poke check

White Button Call for Pass

Board Pinned (see Classic Controls)

Penalty Shot

Left thumbstick Move skater

Right trigger Speed burst

B Protect puck

X Wrist shot (Press and hold for a slap shot)

Y Dump

+ **Right trigger** Hold **Y** to Deke / Release to shoot

DEFENSE

- Left thumbstick** Move skater
- + **Left trigger** Skate backwards
- + **Right thumbstick** Total Stick Control
- Right thumbstick** Intense Contact Controls
- Directional pad** UP: Switch forward lines, DOWN: Switch defensive lines, LEFT or RIGHT: Change strategies
- + **Right trigger** LEFT: Decrease aggression level, RIGHT: Increase aggression level

(NOTE: Home/Away Lineup Changes must be set to Manual.)

- Right trigger** Speed burst
- A** Change skaters
- + **Left trigger** Change to last man back
- B** Check/ Push
- + **Left trigger** Hook
- X** Shoot loose puck
- + **Left trigger** Poke dive
- Y** Poke check
- Black Button** Shot block / Knee drop
- + **Left trigger** Select goalie (with Goalie Control on MANUAL)
- White Button** Grab puck from the air

Goalie - Without Puck (see Classic Controls)

Goalie - With Puck (see Classic Controls)

Goalie - Holding Puck (see Classic Controls)

Board Pin (see Classic Controls)

Fighting (see Classic Controls)

ADVANCED CONTROLS

OFFENSE:

Faceoff (see Classic Controls)

OFFENSE - With puck

- Left thumbstick** Move skater
- Right thumbstick** Total Control Deks (see Classic Controls)
- + **Left trigger** Flip Puck Deke (for skilled puckhandlers only)
- Directional pad** UP: Switch forward lines, DOWN: Switch defensive lines, LEFT or RIGHT: Change strategies
- + **Right trigger** LEFT: Decrease aggression level, RIGHT: Increase aggression level

(NOTE: Home/Away Lineup Changes must be set to Manual.)

- Right trigger** Speed burst
- A** Pass
- + **Left trigger** Flip pass
- B** Protect puck
- + **Left trigger** Hold **B** to Deke / Release to shoot (when near opponent's net)
- X** Wrist / Snap shot
- + **Left trigger** Slap Shot
- Y** Dump (Pressure sensitive - the longer you hold the **Y** button, the higher and farther your dump will go)
- + **Left trigger** Slap Dump
- White Button** Pass and Go
- START** Pause game

OFFENSE – Without Puck

Left thumbstick Move skater

Right thumbstick Intense Contact Controls
(any direction)

Directional pad Change lines / strategies

+ **Right trigger** Change aggression

Right trigger Speed burst

A Change skaters

+ **Left trigger** Change to last man back

B Check/Push

+ **Left trigger** Hook

X One-timer / Deflection

Y Poke check

Black Button

+ **Left trigger** Select goalie (with Goalie Control
on MANUAL)

White Button Call for Pass

Board Pinned (see Classic Controls)

Penalty Shot

Left thumbstick Move skater

Right trigger Speed burst

B Protect puck

+ **Left trigger** Hold **B** to Deke / Release to shoot

X Wrist / Snap shot

+ **Left trigger** Slap shot

DEFENSE

Left thumbstick Move skater

+ **Left trigger** Skate backwards

+ **Right thumbstick** Total Stick Control

Right thumbstick Intense Contact Controls

Directional pad UP: Switch forward lines, DOWN: Switch
defensive lines, LEFT or RIGHT: Change
strategies

+ **Right trigger** LEFT: Decrease aggression level, RIGHT:
Increase aggression level

(NOTE: Home/Away Lineup Changes must be set to Manual.)

Right trigger Speed burst

A Change skaters

+ **Left trigger** Change to last man back

B Check/ Push

+ **Left trigger** Hook

X Shoot loose puck

+ **Left trigger** Poke dive

Y Poke check

Black Button Shot block / Knee drop

+ **Left trigger** Select goalie (with Goalie Control
on MANUAL)

White Button Grab puck from the air

Goalie - Without Puck

- Left thumbstick** Move goalie
Right trigger Position goalie
A Change skaters
+ Left trigger Stance down / Back sprawl
B Press and hold for check
X Poke check
+ Left trigger Dive poke
Y Save / Best stance
+ Left trigger Stacked pads stance

Goalie - With Puck (see Classic Controls)

Goalie - Holding Puck (see Classic Controls)

Board Pin (see Classic Controls)

Fighting (see Classic Controls)

Take NHL 2K5 Beyond the Box

Xbox Live™ is a high-speed or broadband Internet gaming community where you can create a permanent gamer identity, setup a Friends List with other players, see when they're online, invite them to play, and talk to them in real-time as you play.

Downloadable NHL 2K5 Content

If you are an Xbox Live subscriber, you can download the very latest content (such as updated player rosters) to your Xbox console.

Connecting

Before you can use Xbox Live, you need to connect your Xbox console to a high-speed or broadband Internet connection and sign up for the Xbox Live service. To determine if Xbox Live is available in your region and for information about connecting to Xbox Live, see www.xbox.com/connect.

Online Sign In**To create a user account:**

- Highlight **NEW ACCOUNT** and press A. You will be taken to the Xbox Dashboard.
- Follow Xbox Live Instructions to create a new account.

To use an existing user account:

- Move left or right on the **Left thumbstick** to highlight the desired user account name.
- Press A.
- If the account has a Passcode, enter it.

To join as a guest:

- After the account holder has selected his account, highlight **PLAY AS GUEST** and press A.

To advance, press **START**.

XBOX LIVE MENU

Quick Match

Quick Match is the fastest way to challenge an opponent. It is intended for players to easily find and enter a game. When you select Quick Match, you will automatically challenge another user to a game. If they accept the challenge, the Team Select screen will appear.

OptiMatch

The OptiMatch screen allows you to define what type of game you want to play.

- Press **A** or **Y** to cycle forward or backward through the game types: Exhibition, Battle Mode, Mini-Rink, Skills, and Don't Care.
- Press **START** to find the available matches under that Game Type. The Match List screen should appear.

(Note: If you challenge another player to a game, you will play the game with the settings they selected.)

(Note: If you'd like to practice your skills a bit before playing games that count towards your standing, start in a Non-ranked Game.)

Online Gamefinder

The Online Gamefinder screen is where you challenge other players to an Online Game.

To challenge another user to a game:

- Highlight another user's match and press **A**.
- If the other user accepts, you will advance to the Team Select screen. If you and your opponent both have an Xbox Communicator headset, The Headset Icon will appear on the screen; you will now be able to use voice chat to communicate with one another.

If another user challenges you to a game you've created:

- To accept the challenge, press **Y**. The challengers name will highlight.
- To accept the challenge, Press the **A** button when challenger's name is highlighted.

To ask someone to be your friend:

- Play a game against them, select Online Desk, Players/Friends, scroll to Players, highlight the player's name and press **A**.
- Select **INVITE TO BE YOUR FRIEND** and press **A**.
- or -
- Go to the Xbox Dashboard; select *Xbox Live*; select Account Management; select your account; select Friends; highlight **ADD FRIEND** and type in their name.

Create a Match

Use this screen to create a game with the options you desire. Press **A** or **Y** to move forward or backward through the options.

- **Game Type:** Exhibition (Default), Battle Mode, Skills, Mini-Rink and - Pick the game type you wish to play.

Leagues

Want to play a tournament or an entire season of NHL hockey? In the Leagues menu, you can select to create or join a Tournament or Season.

Online Desk

The Online Desk contains several features that allow you to see and send ESPN NHL 2K5 information as well as adjust your own game types and options.

Players / Friends

Players / Friends allows you to add preferred opponents to a list for future games of ESPN NHL 2K5. All management of your friends list can be found here.

ESPN Messaging

Send and receive emails from your friends as well as receive league notifications.

Online Options

The options menu contains personal settings for while you are on Xbox Live.

Leader Boards

The Online Leader Board screen displays the online player rankings for each mode except Unranked games.

Latest News

The Latest News screen gives you all the latest news pertaining to ESPN NHL 2K5 Online.

Downloads

The Downloadable Content screen allows for the latest NHL rosters to be downloaded onto the Xbox console, in order keep your game up to date with the pros. Highlight an update and press A to download the rosters.

Sign Out

Select Sign Out to log off of the Xbox Live network and return to the Main Menu.

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